

Non-Precedent Decision of the Administrative Appeals Office

In Re: 31090604 Date: MAY 7, 2024

Appeal of Nebraska Service Center Decision

Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Workers (Extraordinary Ability)

The Petitioner is a business executive who seeks classification as an alien of extraordinary ability. *See* Immigration and Nationality Act (the Act) section 203(b)(1)(A), 8 U.S.C. § 1153(b)(1)(A). This first preference classification makes immigrant visas available to those who can demonstrate their extraordinary ability through sustained national or international acclaim and whose achievements have been recognized in their field through extensive documentation.

The Nebraska Service Center Director denied the Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Workers (petition), concluding the record did not establish that the Petitioner had a major, internationally recognized award, nor did it demonstrate that he met at least three of the ten regulatory criteria. The matter is now before us on appeal. The Petitioner bears the burden of proof to demonstrate eligibility to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services by a preponderance of the evidence. Section 291 of the Act; *Matter of Chawathe*, 25 I&N Dec. 369, 375 (AAO 2010). We review the questions in this matter *de novo*. *Matter of Christo's Inc.*, 26 I&N Dec. 537, 537 n.2 (AAO 2015). Upon *de novo* review, we will withdraw the Director's decision and remand the matter for entry of a new decision consistent with the following analysis.

Before the Director, the Petitioner claimed he met five of the regulatory criteria. The Director decided that the Petitioner satisfied two of the criteria. On appeal, the Petitioner maintains that he meets the evidentiary criteria relating to the same three criteria the Director denied in their decision.

The Director's denial raised an issue associated with the Petitioner's foreign language evidence that was translated into English. On appeal the Petitioner remedied the issue. Because the Director did not fully analyze the Petitioner's evidence under the remaining three criteria, we will remand the matter for consideration. However, we offer no indication whether the Petitioner's evidence should satisfy any of the criteria the Director might consider.

ORDER: The Director's decision is withdrawn. The matter is remanded for the entry of a new decision consistent with the foregoing analysis.